

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 16-18 are allowed.

Independent claim 16 is directed towards "...a method for dissolving an incoming scene of video information which comprises a sequence of fields or frame of compressed video information and an outgoing scene of video information which comprises a sequence of fields or frame of compressed video information using a computer-based authoring and editing module, comprising the steps of: applying DCT domain motion inverse compensation to obtain DCT coefficients for all blocks of video information which make up a last frame of said outgoing video scene; applying DCT domain inverse motion compensation to obtain the DCT coefficients for all blocks of video information which make up the first frame of said incoming video scene; and creating a first frame in a dissolve region from said DCT coefficients of said last outgoing frame and said first incoming frame said dissolve region being made playable as a transition between said outgoing and incoming scenes during playback of a video containing said outgoing and incoming scenes of video information..." which are features that are not anticipated nor obvious over the art of record. Dependent claims 17-18 are allowed for the reasons concerning the independent claims.

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andy S. Rao whose telephone number is (571)-272-7337. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8 hours.

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